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## GOVERNOR MAKES APPOINTMENTS TO THIRD AND SEVENTH DISTRICT COURTS

(BOISE) – Governor C.L. "Butch" Otter today appointed Canyon County Magistrate Bradly S. Ford of Nampa to a vacant 3rd District Court judgeship, and Rexburg attorney Gregory W. Moeller to a vacant 7th District Court judgeship.

Ford replaces 3rd District Judge Gordon Petrie, who resigned. Moeller replaces 7th District Judge Brent Moss, who retired.

"I am pleased to be able to bring these judicial district benches back up to strength," Governor Otter said. "The Idaho Judicial Council provided me with excellent slates of nominees for these vacancies, and I am confident those I selected will serve the people of their districts and Idaho well and honorably."

Ford is a Bakersfield, California native who grew up in Nampa, graduating from Nampa High School. He has a bachelor's degree from the College of Idaho in Caldwell and a law degree from the University of Idaho. Ford has been a Canyon County magistrate since May 1997. He previously was in private law practice in Nampa. He and his wife, Margene, have three children.

Moeller is a Norwalk, California native who grew up in Fremont County, graduating from St. Anthony's South Fremont High School. He has a bachelor's degree from Brigham Young University and a law degree from the J. Reuben Clark Law School at BYU. Moeller has been a partner in the Rexburg law firm of Rigby, Andrus & Moeller, Chartered, since 1990. He and his wife, Kathy Ann, have five children.

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